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SUBJECT: JCSD INTERVIEW WITH SOVIET KOREAN WAR VETERAN
ALEKSEY ALEKSEEVICH KALYUZHNIY.

SUMMARY: MAY 17, 2002, JCSD REPRESENTATIVES DANZ BLASSER, MSG
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90, KV. 14, TEL: 69-86-79. KALYUZHNIY PROVIDED INFORMATION
ASSESSED AS RELATING TO AN AMERICAN PILOT WHO IS LISTED AS
MISSING-IN-ACTION FROM THE KOREAN WAR THAT MAY HELP TO
CLARIFY THE PILOT'S FATE. END SUMMARY

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2. KALYUZHNIY SERVED AS A FLIGHT COMMANDER IN THE 18TH GUARDS
FIGHTER AVIATION REGIMENT (GFAR), 303RD FIGHTER AVIATION
DIVISION, WHILE IN THE KOREAN THEATER OF WAR. THE 303RD ARRIVED
IN THE KOREAN THEATER IN MARCH 1951 AND CONDUCTED COMBAT
OPERATIONS FROM THE AIRFIELDS OF THE MUKDEN TRIANGLE (MUKDEN-
WEST, MUKDEN-NORTH, AND MUKDEN-EAST) FROM MAY 8, 1951,
THROUGH FEBRUARY 20, 1952. THE MISSION OF THE 303RD WAS TO:
COORDINATE ACTION WITH THE 324TH FAD TO COMBAT ALLIED
AIRCRAFT ATTACKING TARGETS IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF NORTH
KOREA DOWN AS FAR AS THE PYONGYANG-GENZAN LINE; DEFEND THE
BRIDGES OVER THE YALU IN THE ANDUN AREA, THE HYDROELECTRIC
PLANT AT SIODZJO AND THE AIRFIELDS AT ANDUN, SINGISIYU AND
MYAOGOU; CONDUCT PATROLS DOWN TO THE PYONGYANG-GENZAN
LINE; ESCORT CHINESE BOMBER AVIATION; ASSIST THE 4TH AND 6TH
CHINESE FIGHTER AVIATION DIVISIONS AND THE 1ST FIGHTER AVIATION
DIVISION OF THE KOREAN AIR FORCE. THE 303RD PARTICIPATED IN 222
GROUP ENGAGEMENTS, 70 OF WHICH WERE FOUGHT BY THE ENTIRE
DIVISION. THE 303RD CLAIMS TO HAVE SHOT DOWN 18 B-29S, 155 F-86S, 67
F-84S, 41 F-80S, FIVE F-51S, 16 GLOSTER METEOR-4S, AND THREE 6-F-5S.
THE
DIVISION LOST 16 PILOTS AND 40 MIG-15 BIS.

3. KALYUZHNIY CLAIMS TO HAVE SHOT DOWN SEVEN AIRCRAFT DURING
THE KOREAN WAR (JCSD NOTE: TO DATE, JCSD RESEARCHERS HAVE
REVIEWED DOCUMENTS AT THE CENTRAL ARCHIVES OF THE RUSSIAN
MINISTRY OF DEFENSE CREDITING KALYUZHNIY WITH THREE SHOOT
DOWNS: AN F-51 ON JUNE 1, 1951, AN F-86 ON JULY 7, 1951, AND AN F-86
ON
AUGUST 19, 1951). ACCORDING TO KALYUZHNIY, HE IS CREDITED WITH
SHOOTING DOWN AN F-51 ON JUNE 1, 1951 (JCSD NOTE: CAPTAIN HARRY C.
MOORE, F-51 PILOT, WAS SHOT DOWN BY MIG-15 AIRCRAFT AND IS
MISSING-IN-ACTION FROM THIS DAY), FOUR F-86S, AND AN F-84 BETWEEN
JULY AND DECEMBER 1951, AND ONE AD-4L "SKYRAIDER" ON NOVEMBER
27, 1951 (JCSD NOTE: THE RUSSIAN PUBLISHED BOOK, "RED DEVILS OVER
THE 38TH PARALLEL," CREDITS KALYUZHNIY WITH SHOOTING DOWN AN
F4-U CORSAIR ON NOVEMBER 27, 1951. U.S. LOSS RECORDS LIST AN F4-U
CORSAIR AS HAVING BEEN SHOT DOWN THIS DAY. THE PILOT OF THE F4-U
MANAGED TO EJECT OVER FRIENDLY TERRITORY AND WAS UNINJURED.
HOWEVER, KALYUZHNIY CLAIMED THAT HE HAD SHOT DOWN AN AD-4L
THIS DAY. ACCORDING TO U.S. LOSS RECORDS, LTJG EUGENE B. HALE
WAS SHOT DOWN ON NOVEMBER 27, 1951, DURING A COMBAT MISSION
WHILE PILOTING AN AD-4L AIRCRAFT. HALE CRASHED ALONG WITH HIS
AIRCRAFT INTO THE SEA, AND SAR EFFORTS WERE NEGATIVE. LTJG HALE
IS LISTED AS KIA/BNR. HOWEVER, HALE'S AIRCRAFT CRASHED OFF THE
EASTERN SHORE OF THE KOREAN PENINSULA AND KALYUZHNIY'S CLAIM

WAS ON THE WESTERN SIDE NEAR THE KOREAN GULF. WHEN THIS DISCREPANCY WAS NOTED, JCSD REPRESENTATIVES CONTACTED KALYUZHNIY BY TELEPHONE ON JUNE 4, 2002, TO DETERMINE WHICH TYPE OF AIRCRAFT HE HAD ACTUALLY CLAIMED ON NOVEMBER 27, 1951. KALYUZHNIY SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN TOLD SEVERAL YEARS AGO BY A PERSON WHO CAME TO INTERVIEW HIM ABOUT HIS EXPERIENCES IN THE KOREAN WAR THAT THE AIRCRAFT WAS AN AD-4L. KALYUZHNIY DOES NOT REMEMBER WHO THE PERSON WAS THAT INTERVIEWED HIM. JCSD RESEARCHERS WILL CONTINUE TO SEARCH FOR DOCUMENTS IN THE ARCHIVES RELATED TO THIS INCIDENT TO DETERMINE WHICH TYPE OF AIRCRAFT KALYUZHNIY ENGAGED. "RED DEVILS OVER THE 38TH PARALLEL" ALSO CREDITS KALYUZHNIY WITH SHOOTING DOWN AN F-86 ON DECEMBER 14, 1951. U.S. COMBAT REPORTS LIST AN F-86 AIRCRAFT AS HAVING BEEN DAMAGED BY MIG-15 AIRCRAFT ON THAT DAY).

4. KALYUZHNIY DESCRIBED THE AIR BATTLE THAT TOOK PLACE ON JUNE 1, 1951, IN WHICH HIS FLIGHT SHOT DOWN AN F-51 AIRCRAFT. HE SAID THAT SEVERAL MIG AIRCRAFT ENGAGED THE F-51, AND IT BEGAN TO SMOKE AND WAS QUICKLY LOSING ALTITUDE. KALYUZHNIY SAID HE PERSONALLY FOLLOWED THE F-51 AS IT HEADED TOWARDS THE BAY LOSING ALTITUDE. THE F-51 LANDED IN THE WATER 20-30 METERS FROM THE SHORELINE ABOUT 30 KILOMETERS WEST OF ANJU, NORTH KOREA. KALYUZHNIY SAID THE F-51 PILOT APPEARED TO BE IN COMPLETE CONTROL OF THE AIRCRAFT AS IT GENTLY LANDED ON THE SEA. HE DID NOT SEE THE PILOT LEAVE THE AIRCRAFT BUT BELIEVES THAT THE PILOT SHOULD HAVE SURVIVED THE INCIDENT (JCSD NOTE: U.S. LOSS RECORDS LIST CAPTAIN HARRY C. MOORE, F-51 PILOT, AS MISSING-IN-ACTION ON THIS DAY. U.S. PILOTS LAST OBSERVED MOORE'S AIRCRAFT NEAR THE ISLAND OF TAEHWA-DO. SOVIET ARCHIVAL RECORDS CONCERNING THIS INCIDENT STATE THAT THE F-51 CRASHED INTO THE SEA NEAR THE ISLAND OF DAN-TO (KADO ISLAND ON CONTEMPORARY U.S. MAPS). DAN-TO IS SIX KILOMETERS NORTH OF TAEHWA-DO ISLAND AND APPROXIMATELY 30 KILOMETERS WEST OF ANJU. ADDITIONALLY, IN 1997 JCSD REPRESENTATIVES CONDUCTED AN INTERVIEW OF IGOR IVANOVICH SHAVSHA, A SOVIET KOREAN WAR VETERAN FROM KALYUZHNIY'S UNIT, WHO CLAIMS THAT CAPTAIN GARY/HARRY MOORE WAS INTERROGATED BY THE COMMANDER OF THE SOVIET 64TH FIGHTER AVIATION CORPS, IVAN NIKITOVICH KOZHEDUB (REF A)).

5. BIOGRAPHY: ALEKSEY ALEKSEEVICH KALYUZHNIY WAS BORN ON MARCH 4, 1923, IN THE VILLAGE VARENIKOSKAYA, KRASNODAR REGION, RUSSIA. AFTER COMPLETING THE NINTH GRADE, HE JOINED THE KERCH AIR CLUB TO BECOME A PILOT. IN DECEMBER 1940, HE ENTERED THE AIR FORCE AVIATION ACADEMY IN SEVASTOPOL, UKRAINE. WHEN THE NAZIS INVADED UKRAINE, HE WAS SENT TO SARATOV, RUSSIA, TO CONTINUE HIS PILOT TRAINING. IN THE SUMMER OF 1942, AFTER COMPLETING A TOTAL OF TEN HOURS OF FLIGHT TIME ON YAK-1 FIGHTERS, HE WAS SENT TO A RESERVE AVIATION REGIMENT. HOWEVER, HE SPENT HIS TIME HARVESTING WHEAT TO SEND TO THE FRONT, SINCE THERE WAS NO FUEL FOR THE RESERVE UNITS. IN THE FALL OF 1942, KALYUZHNIY AND TEN OTHER PILOTS FROM THE RESERVE UNIT WERE REASSIGNED TO ANOTHER RESERVE REGIMENT IN THE FIRST AIR ARMY TO FLY IN DEFENSE OF MOSCOW. THESE PILOTS, EACH OF WHOM HAD A TOTAL OF TEN HOURS IN THE COCKPIT OF FIGHTER AIRCRAFT, WERE THROWN INTO BATTLE IMMEDIATELY. WITHIN DAYS, FIVE OF THE TEN WERE SHOT DOWN AND KILLED BY THE MORE EXPERIENCED GERMAN PILOTS. IN THE FALL OF 1943, KALYUZHNIY WAS ASSIGNED TO THE 18TH GFAR. KALYUZHNIY IS CREDITED WITH SHOOTING DOWN SIX GERMAN AIRCRAFT IN WORLD WAR II (FOUR FW-190S AND TWO ME-109S). KALYUZHNIY REMAINED IN THE

18TH GFAR FOLLOWING WWII AND SERVED WITH THE UNIT IN ELBIN, POLAND, BREST, AND THEN IN YAROSLAVL, RUSSIA. IN JULY 1950, KALYUZHNIY WAS SENT WITH HIS UNIT TO THE SOVIET FAR EAST COMMAND. IN FEBRUARY 1951, HE TRAVELED TO MUKDEN, CHINA. KALYUZHNIY WAS A CAPTAIN WHEN HE ARRIVED IN THE KOREAN THEATER OF WAR. AMONG HIS DEEDS DURING THE KOREAN WAR, KALYUZHNIY AND THE REGIMENTAL PARACHUTE MASTER, COLONEL SVOBODNIY, CONDUCTED A DARING SUPPORT MISSION TO DELIVER BLOOD TO A HOSPITAL IN NORTH KOREA FOR A FELLOW SOVIET PILOT WHO HAD BEEN SHOT DOWN. KALYUZHNIY PILOTED A SMALL PROP-PLANE THROUGH ENEMY CONTROLLED SKIES. THERE WAS NO AIRFIELD WITHIN MILES OF THE HOSPITAL, SO SVOBODNIY STRAPPED THE BLOOD BAGS TO HIS BODY AND PARACHUTED FROM THE AIRCRAFT. FOR THEIR BRAVERY, KALYUZHNIY WAS PROMOTED TO MAJOR, AND SVOBODNIY WAS AWARDED THE RED STAR. KALYUZHNIY REMAINED IN THE AIR FORCE UNTIL JUNE 3, 1961, HAVING ATTAINED THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL. KALYUZHNIY THEN JOINED THE MERCHANT MARINES AND FOR FOUR YEARS SAILED AROUND THE WORLD ON MERCHANT SHIPS. HE THEN WORKED A SHORT WHILE AT A NAVAL ACADEMY BUT WAS QUICKLY DISENCHANTED BY THE USE OF DRUGS AND LACK OF DISCIPLINE AMONG THE STUDENTS.

8. KALYUZHNIY WAS VERY COOPERATIVE AND SAID THAT HE WOULD MEET WITH JCSD INTERVIEWERS AGAIN SHOULD THEY HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS.

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